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Amendment A

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Dear Examiner:

This amendment responds to the Office action mailed May 28, 2004 for the above-identified application, in which claims 1-3 were rejected and claims 4-10 were objected to.

Listing of the original claims begin on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.

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